Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 18 May 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 19 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 18 May 2021 at 03:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for just a few showers around on Tuesday and Wednesday, then turning more unsettled from Thursday.

Headline for Tuesday 18 May 2021: Bright with sunny spells and a scattering of showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 18 May 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	40%	50%	60%	70%

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Weather: A bright day across much of the area with a scattering of showers developing, the best of the sunshine over Skye and around the west coast. However, cloud is expected to thicken and lower across Caithness and Sutherland with rain and drizzle, this extending into Torridon and the Ben Wyvis are by the end of the afternoon. Cloudy with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, becoming wintry over higher summits, in the evening, although turning clearer in the far north.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% at first becoming 70% around the middle of the day, becoming 30% by the end of the afternoon.

Visibility: Mostly very good, but lowering in any showers and rain. Poor or very poor in any summit cloud, patches 600m to 900m possible, the cloud becoming extensive from the north during the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	13/16 W	11/16 W	12/17 W	13/19 NW	11/16 NW	8/11 NW	8/10 NW
900	13/15 W	11/16 W	12/17 W	13/19 NW	10/15 NW	8/11 NW	7/10 NW
600	9/12 SW	9/14 W	10/16 W	11/17 NW	9/14 NW	7/9 NW	6/9 NW
300	3/11 W	6/14 W	7/16 W	6/16 W	5/13 NW	5/10 NW	4/8 N
Glen	3/7 W	7/12 W	8/14 W	8/15 W	5/9 W	6/10 N	6/10 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-4	2/-2	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2	2/-2	0/-3
900	2/-3	3/-1	4/0	4/-0	3/-1	2/-1	1/-2
600	4/1	6/2	7/4	6/3	5/2	4/2	3/1
300	7/6	8/7	10/8	9/8	8/7	6/5	6/4
Glen	9/8	11/9	12/10	11/10	11/10	9/7	8/7
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1200m	1300m	1200m	1200m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling chilly over the summits.

Forecast for Wednesday 19 May 2021
Weather: Mostly cloudy overnight and during the early morning with outbreaks of rain and drizzle, snow over the summits. Brightening up in the afternoon with a scattering of showers, these wintry on the summits. Dry and bright in the evening.

Maximum wind: Northwest 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% overnight and during the early morning becoming 80% in the afternoon.

Visibility: Very good or excellent, but moderate or poor at first at height with extensive cloud, base 600 to 900m, this lifting in the afternoon, base near or above the summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius rising to 12 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 2 to 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Around the summits.

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